

MR. V. O. MARKOSE: May I know what their previous experience is?

HON'BLE MR. K. M. KORAH: At present I claim notice.

MR. V. O. MARKOSE: Will the Government be pleased to appoint for research work men who have had previous experience in the line?

HON'BLE MR. K. M. KORAH: Certainly.

MR. V. O. MARKOSE: Will the Government consider the feasibility of getting down real experts from outside to conduct research in this matter?

HON'BLE MR. K. M. KORAH: That will be seriously considered.

MR. A. P. UDAYABHANU: May I know what happened to the work of the Economic Botanist at the Kayancolam station?

HON'BLE MR. K. M. KORAH: I claim notice.

MR. A. P. UDAYABHANU: Is the Hon'ble Minister aware of the two varieties of paddy evolved there?

HON'BLE MR. K. M. KORAH: Yes.

MR. A. P. UDAYABHANU: Then what is the fate of that? Is the department continuing the experiment with that or has that been given up?

HON'BLE MR. K. M. KORAH: I will find out the matter.

Paddy Cultivation.

82. DR. M. O. CHERIYAN (*Devicolam—General*): Will the Honourable Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the total area suitable for paddy cultivation in Anjunad area viz. Natchivayal, Marayoor, Keelanthoor and Vattavada pakuthies in Devicolam taluk;

(b) the total area actually under paddy cultivation in the above pakuthies; and

(c) whether in view of the food shortage, the Government will take the necessary steps to bring the available area under cultivation?

HON'BLE MR. K. M. KORAH: (a) 29,57 acres.

(b) 14,05 acres.

(c) Yes.

Acquisition of lands.

83. MR. N. V. CHACKO (*Kunnathnad III—General*): Will the Honourable Minister for Land be pleased to state:

(a) whether complaints have been received from places in the Kunnathnad taluk and other parts, of attempts at acquisition of lands by the Government at the instance of third parties; and

(b) whether the Government are aware that such acquisitions caused untold hardship and irreparable miseries to the people in occupation or possession of such lands and that there are no unavoidable necessities or justifiable excuses for such evictions or acquisitions?